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Jan Schneider, Candidate
Schneider for Congress

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DECLARATION OF HAROLD B. SCHNEIDER

Harold B. Schneider declares and states:

1. I am over the age of 18 and competent to make this declaration.
2. I am a citizen of the United States.
3. Jan Schneider, who was the Democratic candidate for the United States House of Representatives for the Florida 13th Congressional District in 2002, is my daughter. I am also the father of Seth Schneider and Lynn S. Kalish, and the grandfather of Katherine Schneider (age 19 next week), Samuel Schneider (age 16) and Dawn Kalish (11).
4. During both the primary and general election periods, I was Assistant Treasurer of Schneider for Congress (ID #374751). Carroll E. Johnson was the Treasurer until on or about December 5, 2002. Both Mr. Johnson and I had signatory authority over the Schneider for Congress account at SunTrust Bank, NA, and, to my knowledge, no one else did.
5. During the period between approximately February 1 and December 5, 2002, Mr. Johnson was away from the area approximately half a dozen times. On each such occasion, and when he was hospitalized, he left the Schneider for Congress check book and related campaign records with me. I wrote checks or arranged a wire transfer for the campaign as necessary, on several occasions, including on October 2002. At no time of which I am aware were both Mr. Johnson and I unavailable to the campaign for as long as a single day.
6. The allegation in the Affidavit by Michael Shelton (¶ 4) that donations from members of my family were actually funds provided by me is false. Not only is it baseless, but I

consider it defamatory. During the entire period of the campaign - and, indeed, for years before and in the months since - I did not give any of my children or grandchildren any more (or less) money than I have regularly given each one annually (as my wife also did before she passed away in 2000). There have never been any conditions or "strings" attached to such gifts. Nor did I transfer any funds to Joseph Kalish, Jane Trainor or Josh Trainor for campaign contributions, as falsely suggested by Mr. Shelton. Nor did I seek to pressure or otherwise induce any relative to contribute to Jan's campaign. I have not and would not make any campaign contribution for my daughter or any other candidate in the name of another.

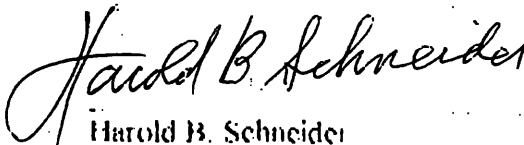
7. To my knowledge, my granddaughter Kate and my grandson Sam have sufficient personal funds and are of sufficient age and discretion to have voluntarily contributed to the primary and general campaigns of their Aunt Jan, with whom they are very close. My granddaughter Dawn is also mature for her age and has sufficient funds in her name, but she did not contribute to her aunt's campaign.

8. After the campaign, Michael Shelton threatened me that he would "destroy" my daughter Jan. Mr. Shelton has on several occasions made other threats of various sorts to me and, in my hearing, to my daughter.

9. I will be glad to assist the Federal Election Commission by providing any further information that may be necessary or desirable. The FEC has my address, and my phone number is 941-955-6595.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on April 8, 2003.


Harold B. Schneider

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